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GLADIOLUS SPECIALISTS
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INFORMATION

The prices in this catalogue include delivery charges.

All bulbs are of first size and true to name.

We will be pleased to quote prices on larger quantities and other sizes. State what varieties on which prices are desired as we are not issuing any wholesale list this season.

Remittances should be sent with order from unknown customers, or satisfactory references.

During very cold weather we will hold orders and send bulbs as soon as weather conditions are safe against severe frost.

No substitutes or changes will be made unless desired.

As stock of some varieties is very limited, we suggest early orders.

The Gladiolus and Its Culture

In addition to their great beauty, the gladioli are becoming more popular on account of their ease of culture.

The gladiolus will thrive in almost any good garden soil, but seems at its best in soils that are more or less sandy.

Well rotted cow or horse manure are the best fertilizers to use on average soils; fresh manure should not be used unless it has been worked into the soil the fall before planting time. Well bal-

anced fertilizers may be used to an advantage if used as a top dressing and worked into the ground at planting time. Generally speaking handle your soil for planting exactly the same as for vegetable growing.

Plant the bulbs about 4 inches deep and about 6 inches apart in the row; the rows should be at least 18 inches apart so as to make it convenient for cultivating. Give them plenty of cultivation which will repay one well in the finer flowers secured through thorough cultivation.

The first planting may be made in the spring as soon as the ground is warm and in good workable condition. If a succession of blooms are desired throughout the summer, new plantings should be made about 10 days after the foliage of the previous planting shows through the ground and additional plantings continued until the last week in June which is about as late as it is safe to make the last planting in order to secure flowers before frost.

Contrary to the common belief, the flowers of the gladiolus do not mix colors when different varieties are planted side by side.

If the flowers are intended for indoor use, the spike should be cut as soon as the first bud opens, the balance of the buds will open when placed in water almost to the tip of the stalk; a small part of the bottom of the stalk should be cut off each day and fresh water used, they will last a week or ten days when treated this way.

Care must be used when cutting the spike so as to leave as much foliage as

possible on the plant. This is necessary if the bulb is intended to be saved and planted another season. Most so called "worn out" bulbs are from plants from which too much foliage has been removed.

The bulbs may be lifted as soon as they show signs of turning brown or have been hit by heavy frost. The tops may be removed at digging time and the bulbs should be allowed to dry before storing away for the winter. Any cool dry place that is suitable for keeping potatoes will do well for bulbs.

Named Varieties

Alice Tiplady—A grand, large primulinus of most beautiful orange saffron. Very choice. Each 25c; dozen \$2.50; per 100 \$17.50.

America—The popular soft lavender pink gladiolus. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.00.

Anna Eberius—Deep velvety purple, throat deeper shade; large flowers on tall spike. A striking and wonderful color. Each 25c; dozen \$2.50

Autumn Queen—Color cream-yellow, upper petals suffused with lively pink, red blotch in throat. Fine for late planting. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00; per hundred \$7.50.

Baron Hulot—Very deep purple. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Blue Jay—Light blue with creamy white blotch marked with very small dark red specks in throat. The best blue. Each 20c; dozen \$2.00.

Brenchleyensis—Medium size flowers of bright vermilion-scarlet. An old favorite. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per hundred \$3.50.

Chicago White—Medium sized white flowers, with small lavender stripe on lower petals. Early. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$4.00.

Christine M. Kelway—Soft pink shading to shell pink on edge of petals, canary yellow throat. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Crimson Glow—Very fine crimson, large flowers. The best and largest flowered red. Each 30c; dozen \$3.00.

Czar Peter—Dark red with small yellow stripe on lower petals. Each 10c; dozen 75c.

Daisy Rand—Softest deep salmon pink over white ground. Each 20c; dozen \$2.00.

Dawn (Groff's)—Large coral pink, red blotch in throat. Very fine. Each 25c; dozen \$2.50.

Desdemone—Large flowers of ashy rose, with violet markings, dark red blotch on a lemon yellow throat. Each 30c; dozen \$3.00.

Distinction—Fine dark velvety red. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Dorothy McKibbin—A pure apple blossom pink with ruffled petals. Early. Each 35c; dozen \$3.50.

Empress of India—Rich dark maroon—almost black. Each 5c; dozen 50c.

Electra—Orange red. Large flower with white blotch on lower petals. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Evelyn Kirtland—Rosy pink, darker pink at edges, fading to a shell pink in throat, with scarlet blotches in lower petals. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Europe — Snowy white with many flowers opened at one time. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Fireking—Color, intense scarlet. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.50.

Flora—Beautiful golden yellow. Very large flowers. Each 50c; dozen \$5.00.

Fraulein — Amber-white with light lemon yellow in throat, white anthers; dainty color. Each 25c; dozen \$2.50.

Frank J. Symmes—Salmon rose with red center, ruffled edges. Each 25c; dozen \$2.50.

Golden King—Golden yellow with dark crimson blotch in throat. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Gov. Hanly—Rich cardinal red with deeper throat. Tall and early. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50.

Gretchen Zang—A pleasing shade of pink blending to scarlet on lower petals. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Halley—Delicate salmon pink. Large creamy blotch. Early. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.50.

Herada—Large blossoms of beautiful mauve. Very striking color. Each 15c. dozen \$1.50.

Jessie—Color is deep blood red, small yellow stripe on lower petals. Early. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50.

Kunderdi Glory—Creamy white with crimson stripe on lower petals. Ruffled. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Louise—Lavender with wine colored blotch in throat. Very large flowers. Extra fine. Each 50c; dozen \$5.00; per 100 \$35.00.

Loveliness—Creamy white, tall robust grower. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

L'Immaculee — Pure white, medium sized flower. Tall. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50; per 100 \$10.00.

Mary Fennell—Beautiful deep lavender, lower petals penciled primrose yellow. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Maiden's Blush — Delicate soft pink, beautiful shade. This is one of the finest of the pink primulinus hybrids. Extra early. Tall grower. Each 20c; dozen \$2.00.

Master Wietse—Rosy magenta overlaid deep purple, streaked with black. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00 per 100 17.50.

Mrs. Dr. Norton—White with suffused pink edges. Lower petals have a blotch of light yellow speckled with tyrian rose. Very dainty. Each 50c; dozen \$5.00.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Jr.—Large wide open flowers of beautiful salmon pink with large brilliant carmine blotch in throat. One of the most gorgeous of gladioli. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50.

Mrs. Francis King — Light scarlet; large flowers. The most widely cultivated red. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.50.

Mrs. W. E. Fryer—Fine large orange scarlet. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Mrs. O. W. Halliday — Pink, penciled yellow in lower petals. Tall grower. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Mrs. Watt—American Beauty color. Nearly all flowers are in bloom at one time. Each 10c; dozen 75c

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Orange Glory—Orange color with lighter throat. Ruffled petals. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Paris—Light pure pink, throat pencilled French purple. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Peace—Very large white with small violet blotch in throat. Tall grower. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00; per 100 \$6.00.

Prince of Wales—Beautiful, large, salmon pink. Early. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Princepine — Brilliant carmine with large white blotch in throat. Each 5c; dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.50.

Pride of Hillegom—A very fine scarlet. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Pride of Goshen—A giant ruffled salmon pink. Tall and vigorous grower. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Pink Progression—Very light pink with red blotch in throat. Very early. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Primulinus Hybrids — The colors are mostly yellow, orange and shades of same. Dainty hooded petals; blooming on graceful wiry stems. Dozen 50c; per 100 \$3.00.

Queen Victoria—(Primulinus hybrid) Lively bright pink, silvery rose throat. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50; per 100 \$12.00.

Red Emperor—A pure deep scarlet. Very large flowers. Each 20c; dozen \$2.00; per 100 \$15.00.

Richred—Tall spike with good sized flowers of good form and a rich deep blood red color. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

1910 Rose—Very large flower, pure rose with narrow white line through center of lower petal. Early. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

Seafoam—Large flower, almost pure white. Each 20c; dozen \$2.00.

Schwaben — Delicate canary yellow with dark red blotch in throat. Very vigorous. One of the finest yellow varieties. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Summer Beauty — Salmon pink, fine color. Tall and showy. Each 15c; dozen \$1.50.

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White Lady—Beautiful creamy white with white anthers. The finest white when well grown. Each 25c; doz. \$2.50.

Wilbrink--A sport of Halley the color of America. Very early. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

Yellow Hammer — Pure yellow with small red blotch in throat. Each 10c; dozen \$1.00.

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